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TO:

Heads of Federal Agencies

SUBJECT:

Calendar Year (CY) 2016 Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Mileage

Reimbursement Rates and Standard Mileage Rate for Moving

Purposes (Relocation Allowances)

- 1. What is the purpose of this bulletin? The General Services Administration (GSA) uses the single standard mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as the mileage reimbursement rate for privately owned automobiles (POA). In addition, the IRS' mileage rate for medical or moving purposes is used to determine the POA rate when a Government-furnished automobile is authorized. In addition, GSA's annual privately owned airplane and motorcycle mileage reimbursement rate reviews, conducted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 5707, have resulted in rate changes. Additionally, since the standard mileage rate for moving purposes, which is also established by the IRS, has changed, the reimbursement rate for a POV used in conjunction with official relocation will change.
- 2. What are the CY 2016 POV mileage reimbursement rates and the standard mileage rate for moving purposes?
 - a. Pursuant to FTR § 301-10.303, the POA rate will be \$0.54, the privately owned airplane rate will be \$1.17, and the privately owned motorcycle rate will be \$0.51.
 - b. Pursuant to FTR § 301-10.310, the POA rate when a Government- furnished automobile is authorized will be \$0.19.
 - c. Pursuant to FTR § 302-4.300, the POV standard mileage rate for moving purposes will be \$0.19.
- 3. What is the effective date of this bulletin? This bulletin is effective upon the date of publication and applies to travel and relocation performed on or after January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.
- 4. What is the background of this bulletin? This bulletin is part of the procedure for updating POV mileage reimbursement rates, as described in FTR Amendment 2010-07 (75 FR 72965, Nov. 29, 2010). Once published on the GSA website, this bulletin establishes the POV mileage reimbursement rates for CY 2016 prescribed by GSA's Office of Government-wide Policy (OGP).

Additionally, FTR Amendments 2007-03 (72 FR 35187, Jun. 27, 2007) and 2007-06 (72 FR 70234, Dec. 11, 2007) specified that the IRS standard mileage rate for moving

purposes would be the rate at which agencies will reimburse an employee for using a POV for relocation worldwide. These amendments indicated that the change to the IRS standard mileage rate for moving purposes applied to relocations on and after September 25, 2007, and that GSA would publish a bulletin announcing any changes to that rate made by the IRS thereafter.

5. Whom should I call for further information? For clarification of content, please contact Mr. Cy Greenidge, OGP, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, at (202) 219-2349 or by e-mail at travelpolicy@gsa.gov. Please cite to FTR Bulletin 16-02.

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